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PETITION TO CORRECT APPLICATION NUMBER ON TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Randolph Building, Mail Stop Petition 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

On March 7, 2006, applicants filed a national stage application of PCT/IT03/000534. The Application Data Sheet filed with the application and the courtesy copy of the first page of the PCT publication and the courtesy copy of the application as filed (and published) identified the international application number as above. However, the transmittal letter had a typographical error, identifying the international application as PCT/IT04/000534.

The error was first noticed within the last month when a clerk in the office of the undersigned was in the process of preparing an Information Disclosure Statement. At that time, the PCT Receiving Office was contacted to determine the best course of action to take in order to correct the PTO records. We were informed that in order to correct the error and continue processing of the present national stage application, applicant must file a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 clearly identifying the international application to which the present application is to be directed, along with the proper petition fee.

Accordingly, applicant hereby petitions, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.182, to correct the transmittal letter filed with this national stage application on March 6, 2006, to correctly refer to international application no. PCT/ IT03/000534, as was obviously intended in light of all of the attachments thereto, all of which could only be applicable to this application number. Applicant hereby clearly identifies the international application to which the present application is to be directed as PCT/ IT03/000534.

The petition fee is submitted herewith.

In re of Appln. No. 10/570,595

Entry of the present petition and correction of the transmittal letter by this means is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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